

COLOR IMAGE FORMATION METHOD

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

10 In a method for forming a multicolored toner image
in accordance with an electrophotographic process, the
addition amount of external additives to a non-added
toner is 1.5 to 10.0 parts by weight per 100 parts by
weight of the non-added toner in each developing step,
the aggregation degree of the toner is within the range
of 30 to 80%, and the change ratio of the aggregation
15 degree satisfies the relation:

$$0.8 \leq (\text{initial aggregation degree/aggregation degree after no-load revolution of developing portion for 20 hours}) \leq 1.2.$$

20 According to this method, it becomes possible to
form a high-quality color image while a toner always
keeps a stable degree of aggregation and a charge amount.